

Quarantine Causes Killing

Austin, Texas, Jan. 20.—The killing of George Lock, a cattleman at Buda, Texas, today because he disregarded quarantine regulations, prompted by the epidemic of meningitis probably will result in the immediate raising of the rigid quarantine.

The state health officer said, 'shotgun quarantines' have not been warranted, and will issue a statement tomorrow saying the epidemic is under control. Lock was warned not to enter Buda today when he announced he was going there to see his mother. He paid no attention to the town marshal who gave the warning and was allowed to proceed. He was shot dead while standing on the porch of his mother's house some time later.

From what supposedly infected point he came is not known here.

The meningitis situation has so cleared that Dr. Abraham Sophian, the New York specialist in charge of the fight against the disease, said today that he would leave for home in a few days.

Thomas Ruby, a constable, is charged with killing Lock. He was formally charged with the murder and tonight was released on bond of \$1,000.

Lock, a stockman, was enroute to Buda to see his mother, when he was warned not to enter the town. He was killed on the porch of his mother's home.

According to advices received by Sheriff Matthews, a constable told Lock that he must not stop in Buda because of the quarantine against meningitis. Lock ignored the warning.

Buda is a small town on the International Great Northern railroad, fourteen miles south of Austin.

From what town Lock came has not been determined here. It is presumed he was traveling from some place in north Texas where there have been cases of meningitis. Quarantine regulations in all Texas towns where the embargo has been set up have been enforced with rigidity bordering on the fanatical.

The Old Apple Trees

Vaughn, N. M., Jan. 20.—The famous old apple trees of Manzano, now known to fruit growers, scientists and historians all over the United States because of their great age and wonderful vitality, are likely to be made even more famous as a result of the journey of the New Mexico demonstration train through eastern New Mexico.

Deeply interested in what he has heard of these trees, their age and productivity under the most unfavorable conditions, Professor Fabian Garcia, head of the horticultural department of the New Mexico Agricultural and Mechanical Arts, has determined to make extensive experiments in grafting cuttings from the trees during the coming season. It has been suggested frequently

that grafting from these trees would be an interesting experiment, but, up to this time, no effort to that end has been made.

Professor Garcia, who is recognized as one of the foremost fruit growing experts in the southwest, proposes to make a serious effort to get results from this season's cuttings with a view to determining, if possible, whether the trees were the growth from seedlings, or whether the young trees were carried over the thousands of miles from Spain by the daring first pioneers who planted the orchard and built the mission of La Guara. The scions to be used in the experiments by Professor Garcia are to be obtained from him by Dr. C. J. Amble of Manzano, and it is not improbable that within a short time these ancient trees will be giving another evidence of their remarkable vitality by production of scientific care.

Death of G. W. Walker

G. W. Walker, who lived about nine miles southwest of Estancia, died Friday and was buried Saturday in the Estancia cemetery.

His wife and son are in California, and he was alone.

Friday morning some neighbors who were to help him with some work went to his place, and found him lying on the ground helpless and almost frozen. He was able to tell them that he had been chasing some pigs on the previous evening when he fell upon a stake that had been driven into the ground and injured his side so severely that he was unable to help himself.

He was about sixty years of age.

Man Hurt at Mountainair

Belen, N. M., Jan. 20.—E. M. Collins of Lamar, Colo., was run over by passenger train No. 118, near Mountainair tonight and one of his arms severed from the body at the shoulder. He was brought here and will probably be sent north to Albuquerque tomorrow morning on the north bound El Paso train. The accident occurred thirty-three miles east of this city. It is not known whether Collins was a passenger on the train or a trespasser. It is thought, however, that he fell off the train and under the wheels. The train from which he fell left Albuquerque tonight at 7:20, and is known between here and Albuquerque as 811, the number being changed after the train turns eastward here to run over the Belen cut-off.

FOR SALE—Span black mules, 15 and 16 hands high, 5 and 6 years old, weight, both, 2300 pounds. Good workers and gentle in stable. Inquire Francis Goodrich, Lucia, N. M. 83tp

Wanted—If wanting to buy good horses see Sam Jensen.

SOME THINGS OF INTEREST OF NEW MEXICO

Santa Fe, the capitol of New Mexico, is the oldest settlement in the United States. Among the archives is found a census taken in 1605, which gives a population of 1707 inhabitants. In the older portions the streets are narrow and crooked, but in the more modern portions they are wide and regularly laid out. Many buildings are of adobe, or sun-dried brick, but a majority are of modern structure. The Governor's palace, built during the Spanish regime, has been used continuously as the official residence of the chief executive, under whatever title and superior authority he has served. One end of it contains the quarters and priceless treasures of the New Mexico Historical Society, and the other the postoffice. The capitol is an attractive building of cream colored sandstone and pressed brick.

New Mexico has some remarkable pyramids. They are prehistoric, but still in use; monuments to human love of home and the human ingenuity of making a safe retreat. They are the two great communal houses in which the Pueblo Indians of the northernmost valley in New Mexico have been making their simple history for probably more than 500 years. A learned observer, writing on the Pueblo pyramid houses of Taos, which stand on the two sides of a trout brook, in a lovely valley of the Rocky mountains, says:

"Nowhere in the world is there a more startling page of ancient history brought down to date. All of Europe has nothing to compare with these human beehives, these pyramidal fortress-homes of the northern Tiguas. Even among the most strangely picturesque populations of China, India, and the isles of the sea, there is no mate to Taos. It is only in America, and only in New Mexico and Taos, queen of all, the most perfect remaining type of the terraced communal house of the ancient Pueblos, which was in turn the most astonishing domestic architecture ever invented by man, savage or civilized.

"Fancy some child of the giants trying to build a pyramid of its overgrown blocks; a pyramid over 400 feet high on a side, the 'steps' formed by the superimposed cubes being about 10 feet high, and six layers of them laid up with childish irregularity. Fancy this vast plaything turned into a labyrinth of cells of stone and adobe, with snowy walls of gypsum, and crooked doors and earthen chimneys on each stage, and bristling with ladders from step to step. Populate it with a few hundred beings of active bronze, clothed in oriental garb, inscrutable but human, reserved but gentle, living their quaint lives, and you begin to have a rudimentary notion of Taos. Like all other Pueblos, the Taos live by agricultural, and their small farms are irrigated from the mountain streams."

Mrs. Rebecca Garcia of Pinos Wells has gone to Santa Fe for medical treatment. She has been in poor health for some time.

Power Plant For Deming

Deming, Jan. 19.—R. C. Ely has just returned from Los Angeles, Calif., where he went as the representative of the subscribers to the stock of the Producers Power company, for the purpose of buying a central power plant to furnish electricity for pumping water for irrigation on various farms surrounding Deming.

While in Los Angeles he bought two Allis-Chalmers Corliss engines and general electric generators, the plant capable of generating 350 horse power. The current will be furnished, said Mr. Ely, within a radius of five miles at a voltage of 2200 volts, and trunk lines will be run for conducting power beyond this limit in two directions at a voltage of 6600.

The machinery will probably arrive here by February 1, and if there is no delay in shipment, the installation will be completed by the first of March, but the company is not promising any power before the first of April.

There has been no election of directors of the company, but those who will be named in the articles of incorporation to control the affairs of the company for the first 90 days will be John Hund, Dr. J. M. Williams, Joe Young, P. K. Connaway, and Sam Schwing. The capitalization of the company will be for \$75,000.

Mr. Ely states that it is contemplated to put in about 25 miles of transmission wire as rapidly as the same may be required, and this will be increased to meet the requirements of the community, and the plant itself will be supplemented by further installation of power equipment, as required.

Baptist Church Calls a Pastor

At a meeting of the Estancia Baptist church held today, a call was extended to Rev. F. Huhns to become pastor of the church. Mr. Huhns has been pastor of a church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He has not decided whether he would accept the call or not.

Died

W. M. Shields, who lived north-east of town about seven miles, died last Thursday night.

The funeral occurred Saturday conducted by Rev. Summers, and the remains were buried in the Estancia cemetery.

Deceased had been a resident of the Valley five years, and was about 58 years of age.

He leaves a widow and several grown children.

Two Jobs Landed

Santa Fe, Jan. 19.—Governor McDonald has appointed A. A. Hudspeth, of White Oaks, a regent of the college of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts at Mesilla

Park, to succeed George Arnot of Las Vegas, resigned. Secretary of state Lucero has appointed Charles F. Kanem, of Roswell, to be chief clerk. Kanem held the position of incorporation clerk under territorial secretary Nathan Jaffa.

Moriarty

From The Messenger

A large and enthusiastic crowd of farmers met in the Messenger office Tuesday morning and discussed the creamery proposition from a to z. More interest was shown than in any project Moriarty has undertaken. Many questions were brought up such as the delivery of milk, farmers owning separators, etc., that will work out to the best advantage as soon as the creamery is well under way. From those present and a few who came to town in the afternoon which represented only part of the Moriarty district alone, there would be furnished butter fat from 400 cows. Many said they would purchase more first class milk cows just as soon as the creamery was an assured fact.

C. S. Baldwin was elected chairman and appointed the following committee to canvass the districts and report as early as possible the name of every settler interested and to what extent; C. R. Gaenfield and Pedro Vigil, west of town; Lewis Rutherford and John Martin, north; John Clay, northeast; Bob Hood and Wm. Abrahames, east; G. R. Lamb and G. T. Cullers, southeast; Albert J. James, south; J. W. Davis southwest; J. W. Sweeney, and L. F. Fix, McIntosh; J. N. Reeves and John Evans, Stanley; W. G. Ash, Barton; H. B. Hughes and G. N. Meltabarger, Venus.

H. J. Fincke had a hog killing on his ranch last week and gave a pork and sausage dinner to seven members of the Bachelor club.

Albert J. James will put in an ice cream plant in the near future and expects to be started about March 1st. The capacity of the plant will be 100 gallons per day. Mr. James put up 75 tons of ice this year.

M. L. and D. L. Williams, of Henryetta, Okla., are looking for land in Estancia Valley. The boys came in on motor cycles and after traveling over a considerable portion of the valley decided to contest places in the Moriarty district that have been abandoned.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Blunt came down from Santa Fe Friday. Mrs. Blunt submitted five year proof on claim south of town filed on by her mother, Mrs. Petra Duran, deceased.

A deal has just been closed in which John F. Majors, a native of Indiana, takes charge of the 320-acre track of land, southeast of town known as the Knight farm, together with all the improvements. One of the best wells in the valley is on this farm fitted with pump and gasoline engine and an immense earth tank are only a part of the improvements. Twenty acres of land are already under irrigation and there is plenty of water for more. Mr. Major's has secured a bargain in this deal and comes with his family ready to make a success here as he did in Indiana.

Walter Reyburn is in from his ranch nursing his wife, who has been quite sick.